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NEWSLETTER OF THE PIKES PEAK GAY COMMUNITY CENTER

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THE COMMUNITY QUILT SHOW A BIG SUCCESS IN MANY WAYS

On March 27 our community held two Quilt Shows, one at the Exit and the other at the Hide and Seek. The Imperial Court of Southern Colorado (ICSC) presented a show with all proceeds from tips and the cover charge going to the Community Quilt Show Fund (it is important to note that the performers paid the cover charge as well).

More than a drag show or even just more than another fund raiser, this was a special event. This was the Colorado Springs chance to remember our brothers and sisters who have died from AIDS.

There were seven quilts (an eighth quilt is being made for Brent B. who died last month,) including one made to remember all of those in our community who have died but did not have an individual quilt panel made for them.

Those remembered included Ricky Morris, Johnny Bates (Lois Lane), Bobby Cassidy, Bill Carlson, and Don Thomas. Lois' Mother helped with his quilt and Brent's Mother was at the Hide & Seek show, bringing home how important remembering can be.

Funds are still coming in but at last report, $991.64 had been raised. A portion of the money will go with the quilts to Denver to help the National Quilt Show stay on the road. And then the balance will be used here in the community. Five local people have agreed to form a committee to dole out the money where it is needed. They are Tracey Diane, Rev. Marion Harrison, Conny S., Carolyn W., and Bill S.

The Quilts will be at the Unitarian Church from April 4-17 and then at the AIDS Memorial Quilt Show in Denver, April 21, 22 and 23.

THE QUILT SLATED FOR DENVER THIS MONTH

The AIDS Memorial Quilt including local quilt panels, will be on display in Denver on April 21, 22 and 23, 1988. It will be displayed at the Stadium Arena (where the Stock Show is held).

The unfolding ceremony is scheduled for Thursday, April 21, beginning at 7p.m. The unfolding will be accompanied by the reading of the names of the dead and by brief choral selections by the Denver Gay Men's Chorus and by the Denver Women's Chorus. This event costs $25.00 per person and is a fund-raiser for the Colorado AIDS Project(CAP). Funds will go to support direct services to persons with AIDS. For ticket information, contact CAP at 1-837-0166.

The Quilt will be on display to the public FREE OF CHARGE on Friday, April 22 from 10:00a.m. to 8:00p.m. Seeing the Quilt is an unforgettable experience, and shows we have not forgotten those who have died. In addition, the Quilt focuses attention on the need for more money for education and for research, and on the need to expedite the development of treatments and vaccines.

Volunteers are needed to help install and monitor the Quilt while it is in Denver. Volunteers are being coordinated by the Gay and Lesbian Community Center of Colorado in Denver, and if you are interested in helping, contact them directly. For more information contact Les Lewis at CAP, 1-837-0166. (Bruce L.)

The Pikes Peak Gay Community Center Board of Directors met in their regularly scheduled meeting on March 15, 1988 at 7p.m., adjourning at 8:45p.m.

President's Report: Ed is continuing to work with PPMCC to find a location that the Center and the Church can share. There is one space, a "fixxer-upper" for $300.00 per month. If this is a viable possibility it will need to be a community project. Nothing definite yet.

Vice President: No Report.

Treasurer:

Beginning checking balance as of 1/23/88	$256.61
Total deposits	$800.35
(40+ Women $36.00, MCC $50.00, Mr. Brown $20.00, transfer from savings $600.00, Misc. $94.83.)	
Total debts	$1024.35
(Helpline $400.00--paid through May 1--Telephone $198.55; Printing $278.00; Postage $117.80; Advertising in Phi Theta Delta rush book $30.00)	
Checking balance as of 3/14/88	$33.09
Regular savings balance as of 3/14/88	$729.52
6 month C.D. balance as of 3/14/88	$1003.37
Total assets as of 3/14/88	$1765.68

$50.00 had been allocated to the Helpline for a special program, the Helpline Coordinator returned that money, having worked out the fee so that it would not cost the Center anything.

Secretary's Report: No Report

Helpline Report: The number of calls continues to increase. This month there were 218 calls, 125 calls to the machine and 117 answered by volunteers. The bulk of the calls continue to be for information about the Center and center supported groups. There were fewer hang ups on the machine and more requests for call-backs.

Because we continue to have more groups and services, a new message will be recorded and individual groups will no longer be listed--there just isn't time on the tape.

Under "other calls" there were calls about the "Gay Parents" group meeting, no one showed for the meeting except Roxanne. The "Places of Interest Guide" called and updated their information about the Colorado Springs area.

Volunteers expressed concern about their referrals to Sisters of Sappho, they were being told that inquiries were not being responded to by the contact person. There is now a new contact person for the group and this situation should be taken care of.

Christopher St. Report: The spaghetti dinner with 40+ Women was a big success. A bar-b-que is planned for April 16 between the two groups. Christopher St. is planning a bar-b-que for their part of the Pride Week activities. (see article about Pride Week).

EXCEL IN THE ROCKIES

EXCEL, a structured weekend of Christian education and renewal, is scheduled for April 29, 30 and May 1 at La Foret (north of Colorado Springs in Black Forest).

This event is lead by a team of women and men who have participated in special study and training in EXCEL leadership. The teams will be comprised of people from three churches in Southern Colorado and the EXCEL in the Redwoods team.

For more information call Gloria at (719) 576-3228 or leave a message at 634-3771.

Imperial Court Of Southern Colorado: The Court held their annual Black and White Ball on March 12. They planned the Community Quilt Show which was held on March 27, all proceeds, including cover charge is going to AIDS related programs (see article). April 2 is Denver's Coronation, "Turn of a Century" and Colorado Spring's Coronation is set for June 18, it will be "A Mythical Masquerade". Their next meeting is scheduled for April 10, 2p.m. at the Hide and Seek.

40+ Women: Also reported that the dinner with Christopher St. was very successful and they are planning on attending the bar-b-que in April. They have decided that they will work with the committee to plan the Pride Week Picnic scheduled for June 19. They have a variety of topics planned for discussion in April, including a review of a book on women's spirituality, gays and lesbians in Indian culture, planning outdoor activities, etc.

Seek and Peek: This group will be "on hold" till June when the weather gets better and they can do more outside activities. The facilitator will continue to take referrals from the Helpline and will contact those people when organizing begins again.

Step One: The film "The Times of Harvey Milk" was shown to the group and we discussed the impact Harvey Milk had on us as well as some general issues surrounding the "coming out" process. It was also decided that meetings will now be on the first Tuesday of each month at 7p.m. and an activity will be planned for that month at that time, not necessarily on a regularly scheduled day. April's first meeting, on the 5th, has been set aside to talk about Gay Pride Month and Week, how it came to be, how it impacts us and what we, as a group and individuals can do to participate.

PPMCC Report: Easter activities are outlined in the calendar. They will also be involved in the picnic on June 19. (see article)

Christ Chapel: Easter activities are outlined in the calendar. They also anticipate involvement in the picnic on June 19.(see article)

PRIDE WEEK PLANNING: The Pride Week planning is under way. After the first meeting on March 7 it was decided that there would be a picnic on June 19. This picnic is still in the planning stages but at this time the committee see's the focus being directed first as a social event--time for all of us to get together and have fun; second, as a time to communicate with each other--perhaps break down some barriers and build some bridges; third, education--a chance to educate each other about ourselves, our groups and our common concerns; and fourth as a fund raiser and membership booster for the Community Center itself--we hope to help people see the role the Center is already playing in our community and hopefully get the input we need to grow and meet the needs of the future.

The next Pride Week planning meeting is scheduled for April 18 at 7p.m. Everyone is invited to come and bring their ideas.

At this point some of the other groups have made tentative plans including:

Step One hopes to put together a film festival and Roxie is putting together a rafting trip for June 18. The Christopher Street group is planning a Texas Bar-B-Que for June 24th. This reservations only dinner will cost $7.95 per person with proceeds to benefit the Pikes Peak Gay Community Center.

G.A.L.A.: Gay and Lesbian Alliance, is a support group for college students (of any age) and non-students between 16 and 24 years old.

GAY AA:Gay Alcoholics Anonymous, meets at 8p.m. Mondays and Fridays. Call 634-5020 for more information.

GLBQ-Gay, Lesbian, Bi, and Questioning: Student support system for University of Colorado at Colorado Springs. Both a social and support group for college students and college age (any age) individuals.

GAYSPEAK: We still need help getting more advertising. We are attempting to offer as many services free of charge as possible but must have help in paying for printing and postage.

COLORADO GAY RODEO ASSOCIATION REPORT:The Board of Directors is very pleased to welcome the Colorado Gay Rodeo Association to the Community Center.

In a letter to PPGCC, they explain that they "...are a chapter club of CGRA State based in Denver. The CGRA is also a subsidiary of the International Gay Rodeo Association in Wichita, Kansas."

They go on to explain that their "...club is not necessarily for Rodeo riders or participants, alone. But for all men and women that enjoy the country way of life, whether it be riding a bull or listening to Country Music. We are just a group of people with something in common, that is our way of life, the Country way of life.

We of the CGRA of Colorado Springs are looking forward to a long and fruitful relationship with the PPGCC and the Gay Community of Colorado Springs."

Their next meeting is scheduled for April 10 at the Hide & Seek in the downstairs bar, "Its Country", 8p.m. and their Board meeting is scheduled for April 23, 6:30p.m., at It's Country.

On April 24 they have scheduled a fund raiser at Charlies in Denver. It is hoped that the group can raise enough money to buy practice stock for their organization.

COLORADO ATHLETIC EXCHANGE: Another group is in the process of organizing into the Springs Area. The Colorado Athletic Exchange (CAE)is a "statewide communications network for relaying information about recreational and competitive sporting events for gay and lesbian athletes. The organization is comprised of athletes and boosters who enjoy sporting events...

All CAE activities will stay inclusive rather than exclusive. The principle of doing one's personal best will remain paramount.

We pledge equality between men and women, the removal of age, race and sexual orientation stereotypes, and the strengthening of our gay and lesbian networks."

According to their brochure, "CAE is working towards instilling a sense of pride in the community by: providing a social network for men and women through athletics; promoting participation in national and international athletic competition; and organizing a large Colorado contingency to Gay Games III and Cultural Festival in 1990.

For more information, call the Helpline 471-4429.

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LOCAL CHURCHES OFFER SPECIAL EASTER SERVICES

(ED. NOTE: The local gay oriented/sensitive churches are an important part of our community. Easter and spring time are traditionally times of renewal for all of us whether we follow the doctrines of these churches or not. We asked the pastors of Pikes Peak MCC and Christ Chapel to share some information about their churches and their perceptions of the season.)

"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only begotten Son, that Whosoever believeth in Him should not perish but have ever-lasting life."

John 3:16

As a church in and for the community, Christ Chapel came into existance on February 1, 1987, following a three month planning session by Rev. Roger Webb and Ruby Miller in consultation with Rev. Michael Cole. There is an on-going reorganizing and rebuilding process which includes a search for a permanent church. We average nine to fifteen people each Sunday but with an outreach of love which numbers in the thousands.

The Mother Church, Christ Chapel in Long Beach, California, started as a calling to the ministry of Rev. Michael Cole. It started in 1981 in a living room with seven people but quickly grew to a garage which the congregation converted into a chapel.

After a tree fell and caved in the roof, a new church home was found in a store front where the congregation set about to renovate the building. Christ Chapel is now the largest independent gay church in the United States with a congregation of two hundred members and five satellite churches. The Mother Church has been very supportive of us in Colorado Springs, both financially and spiritually. Rev. Cole recently came to the Springs to help us celebrate our first anniversary.

Christ Chapel is a network of churches who love and support each other and the communities which we minister to. Our doors are open to all who would care to celebrate the love of our Creator through Jesus Christ and the Holy Spirit.

The Easter story is old but is renewed every year as we celebrate the season in which Christ died and arose from the tomb to cover our sins and to intercess for us with God so that we may have eternal life.

It is a season of renewal; not only for the Easter story, but also for us as human beings. God sent Jesus to affirm the Love that God offers to all of us ; no one is excluded. God really accepts each of us just as He made us. Why then, can't we?

This is a season to look inside of ourselves and to re-evaluate who we are to ourselves and to each other. We are coming to the time of the year to celebrate Gay Pride. If we continue to hide and to not be able to affirm in ourselves that we really are a part of God's plan, how can we indeed be proud? It is a time to put aside old tapes and to confirm in ourselves that we are human, we are loved and we are capable of loving others. It is time to join hands with the rest of the Gay and Lesbian community and with the rest of the world so we can lift our heads and our hearts and really celebrate who we are.

God makes no mistakes and God made us.

Ruby Miller, Pastor-Christ Chapel

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PIKES PEAK
METROPOLITAN COMMUNITY CHURCH

The Reverend Marion C. Harrison, Pastor

Welcome to Pikes Peak Metropolitan Community Church! We are delighted to give you a clearer understanding of what our spiritual community is all about. Pikes Peak MCC (PPMCC) is an affirming Christian church where you can worship in spirit and in truth openly as a gay man or lesbian woman, or gay-sensitive person. We offer an opportunity to meaningfully relate to other like-minded persons, explore the potential God has given you, and find healing and wholeness for your life-journey. PPMCC is not the answer to everything...but proclaims the One who has the answer to everything, namely Jesus Christ. Here we invite you to be nurtured and loved amongst women and men who are caring persons.

PPMCC has an office and worship space in the All Souls Unitarian Universalist Church, located at 730 N. Tejon. It is a chartered church of the Universal Fellowship of Metropolitan Community Churches (UFMCC) and is a Christ-centered body of believers which moves in the mainstream of Christianity in its worship, and offers a church home to all who confess and believe Jesus Christ to be their personal Savior.

UFMCC was founded by the Reverend Troy D. Perry, a former Pentecostal Holiness minister, on October 6, 1968 and is headquartered in Los Angeles, California. UFMCC was formed with a primary but not exclusive outreach to the gay community.

Presently the denomination has over 250 congregations in the U.S., Mexico, Canada, Costa Rica, Nigeria Australia New Zealand, France, Indonesia, United Kingdom,. Scandinavia, Holland, Germany, Ireland and most recently in Japan, Argentina and the Dominican Republic. Clergy persons are professionally trained and licensed to preach and teach the Word of God, and who seek to enable all within the church to serve as ministers taking Christ and Christ's teachings into the community-at-large.

Locally, Pikes Peak MCC began in a garage in the summer of 1979, with the Reverend Joyce Setala as pastor. As the membership increased, a new home was found at All Souls Unitarian Church, with Reverend Bonnie Daniel, now Mid-Central District Coordinator, assuming the pulpit for a two-year pastorate. The Reverend Roger Webb began his ministry in 1983. It was during this period that the church received charter status.

The present pastor is the Reverend Marion C. Harrison, who began his ministry in September, 1987. The current membership of the church stands at 50, with an average Sunday attendance of between 28 and 50. The current operating budget for the year is $25,734.00

Opportunity for worship is available each Sunday at 5p.m., with special services and Bible Study provided on an ongoing basis. The church is governed by a four-member Board of Directors, with the pastor serving as Moderator. Throughout the year, opportunity for spiritual enrichment is provided through weekend Renewals, forums and discussion groups; opportunity for fellowship is provided through social activities, fund-raisers and a social hour following each Sunday worship service. Counseling is provided by the pastor, at no charge, to any person in the gay or lesbian community. Other services provided by the church are pastoral care to homebound or hospitalized persons, Baptisms (infant or adult), Rites of Blessing (relationships, homes, etc.), Holy Unions, Funeral or Memorial services, and a Food Pantry for limited emergency needs. The church phone, with answering service is 634-3771.

We come from many religious backgrounds, some with no religious background formerly; we represent different races, the gamut of ages, some are affluent, some unemployed and others "in-between". We are female, male, gay, straight, bisexual, transexual. In short, we represent (or hope to represent) a good cross-section of the Pikes Peak area. We pray that you will find us to be a challenging, yet caring and comforting community of believers. Ours is an open invitation to visit and worship with us soon! You and all of us, will be the better for this closer walk with our God.

Rev. Marion Harrison,
Pastor--Pikes Peak MCC

SMALL TOWN IS HOME FOR ACTIVE GAY/LESBIAN COMMUNITY CENTER

(Ed. Note: Roseburg, Oregon, is a small town (18,000 or less) in very conservative Southern Oregon. In the last few years they have had a very visible and active gay/lesbian community. They have staged marches, had an active helpline and now they have their own Community Center. The following is from their February 1988 newsletter.)

SEE PRESIDENT NEXT PAGE

THE WAY I READ IT:
BY: Kim DeDobbelaere

"Dykes to Watch Out For", by Alison Bechdel,Firebrand Books (AVAILABLE AT COLORADO SPRINGS' NEW LESBIAN AND GAY BOOKSTORE, "TOGETHER AS ONE")

"Dykes to Watch Out For" is a collection of cartoons depicting Bechdel's observations of "contemporary" lesbian life. Her cartoon strips appear regularly in Denver's "Outfront" as well as a variety of other lesbian/gay publications.

The book is not large but does cover a broad area of subjects, including "Great Romances that Never Were" and "The Relationship, a Cautionary Tale for Young Ladies in Love", etc.

Even if you find some of the "political observations" to be a little trite at times, its delightful to find humor reflecting our life. As a sampler of her work, this book does do a good job of giving us a taste of the variety of observations made by Bechdel in her cartoons.

Throughout the book are one page drawings depicting a lesbian doing various activities and they run through the alphabet, i.e. "A is for Alice who liked to cook soup; B is for Blanca, who sat on the stoop." I felt that these were fillers and would have rather seen them condensed (or deleted) and more of her cartoon strips in their place.

I do recommend that you check it out, there are definitely some great moments.

This and many other lesbian/gay books, records, cards, etc. are available at "Together As One."

COUPLES, INC. TO HONOR GAY AND LESBIAN FAMILIES

In recognition of the love and commitment represented by lesbian and gay families, Couples, Inc., has designated May 8, 1988 as Parents Day. That Sunday, which is also traditional Mother's Day this year, will be marked by celebrations in several cities.

According to Carey Junkin, Executive Director of Couples, Inc., "We plan to honor Gay Fathers and Lesbian Mothers for the love and care they give their children. Just as Couples, Inc. did with The Wedding at the National March on Washington, we plan to show the non-gay and gay communities that our families are based on love. Same-sex couples and gay families everywhere are organizing for this celebration."

The organizations slogan is "Love makes a Family. Nothing else, nothing less!"

"PRESIDENT'S COLUMN

That Roseburg has a Gay Community Center is no accident. We could say that we have a center because we worked hard for it; but that alone does not account for it. Many communities work hard, but unless that work is accompanied by vision, daring and direction, the wheels will merely spin, taking them nowhere.

This community is fortunate, in that it contains those three elements, in addition to hard work. In our community we have a visionary who does dare and who can direct. And then, just as important, this community has a number of people who can grasp the vision, catch the spark and travel the well-posted road.

When those who envision, dare and direct, do so without egotism and those who follow, do so without any loss of ego, community truly exists and becomes centered. This has happened in Roseburg!

Centered, with energy and direction, let us continue forward, full of resolve and a sense of purpose. Who would set a limit as to what we can accomplish? Mark

(ED. Note The following is a paragraph out of another column in "Gay 01' Times", Roseburg's newsletter.)

"Apparently, there are only 40 or 50 Gay Community Centers in the United States (probably the world) and aren't we privileged to have gotten ourselves together one right here in Douglas County (Oregon). We really have our act together! All us gays in Douglas County--be involved, be proud, we've got one hot shot home for ourselves. Francis

DONATING BLOOD FOR YOURSELF

Donating blood for yourself for a specific need, such as upcoming surgery, is the safest way to receive a blood transfusion.

All blood received form donors is tested for AIDS and Hepatitis B, yet some of that blood can test negative for those infectious diseases while, in fact, that blood is harboring the viruses. In Colorado your chances of contracting AIDS through a blood transfusion is about one in 70,000, while chances of contracting Hepatitis B through transfusion is one in 7000.

If the fear of AIDS has kept you from having a surgery you want or need to have done, "autologous" (ah-tol'-o-gus)donation may be the answer for you.

Autologous simply means donating blood for yourself, in case you need it.

This is the safest blood available for transfusions. Because you donate your own blood, you eliminate the risk of acquiring infectious diseases that may be transmitted by blood from other donors.

Additionally, the use of "self donated" blood leaves more of the community blood supply available for those who cannot participate in autologous blood transfusion programs.

If you have a need for a blood transfusion, such as an upcoming surgery contact your physician. S/He will determine whether your medical condition will allow you to donate blood safely. Your physician can then make the necessary arrangements.

The cost per unit of blood donated is about the same as that of a volunteer donation. You will be charged for each unit of blood drawn, whether it is used or not.

The use of autologous blood transfusions will not save you money but it may eliminate the anxiety and fear you may have about receiving volunteer donated blood. (INFORMATION PROVIDED BY PENROSE HOSPITAL BLOOD BANK)

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FIRST GAY FRATERNITY AND LESBIAN SORORITY RECOGNIZED AT UCLA

LOS ANGELES--A fraternity organized by gay men has been approved by the University of California in Los Angeles, which last month approved a lesbian sorority.

The fraternity is a spinoff of a Washington-based organization trying to form chapters at campuses around the country.

"We are trying to encourage socializing outside of the bar environment and its negative emphasis on alcohol and drugs," said fraternity advisor Chris Williamson.

GAY AND LESBIAN SYNAGOGUE TO HOLD PASSOVER SEDER

Congregation Tikvat Shalom will observe Passover Seder on April 8 beginning at 6:30 p.m. with a social hour. As in the past, a Seder service will be conducted. It will be specifically oriented toward gay and lesbian Jews.

For more information about the Seder service or Tikvat Shalom, write to them at P.O.Box 441, Littleton, CO 80160; or call 331-2706.

RAINBOW COMMUNICATIONS TO SPONSOR CINCO de MAYO MEXICAN HOLIDAY

Rainbow Communications, publisher of SPEAKOUT, announced in the April issue that they would sponsor the first Cinco de Mayo (May 5) Fiesta for the Colorado Springs gay community.

The Fiesta is a response to the Hispanic community's concern that they were "not as active or acknowledged in their own community as other groups."

This is slated to be "...the first of many fund raisers for the Southern Colorado AIDS Project (S-CAP)." It will be held at the Exit Lounge (upstairs), on Thursday, May 5, from 6 to 10p.m. The celebration will include a Mexican buffet from 6 to 7p.m., Beer Bust from 6 to 9p.m. and dancing "to a Latin beat" from 7 to 10p.m.

A $5.00 donation to S-CAP automatically enters you in the door prize drawing for dinner for two and Henri's Mexican Restaurant. The beer is being donated by the Exit Lounge, the food by Rainbow Communications and the door prize by Henri's.

This is slated as a Community event, open to all people in the lesbian/gay community. SPEAKOUT said that more "details will be posted in the bars and the May edition of SPEAKOUT."

MAY ISSUE OF SPEAKOUT TO PRINT ANSWERS TO THE QUESTION "What kind of services would you like to see the Gay and Lesbian Community Center provide?"

SPEAKOUT's "You're on the Air" column in April printed answers to the question, "What is the thing you like best/least about the gay community where you live." There were a variety of answers, but the one from C.J.S. points out a concern so many people in the Colorado Springs area share--there is nothing to do but go to bars. "There is certainly more to socializing than drinking." The Pikes Peak Gay Community Center encourages C.J.S. and all of those who share that concern to contact the Helpline. Find out what groups are available through the Center and if we don't have something that interests you--work with us to start the group or activity that you would like to put your (positive) energy into.

The column ended saying that next month's question would be "What kind of services would you like to see the Gay and Lesbian Community Center provide?" We would hope that the community responds to this questionaire and then is willing to work with the Center to accomplish what they want.

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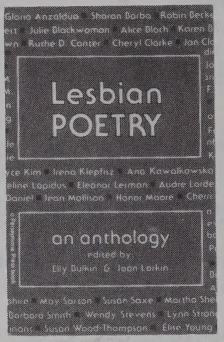

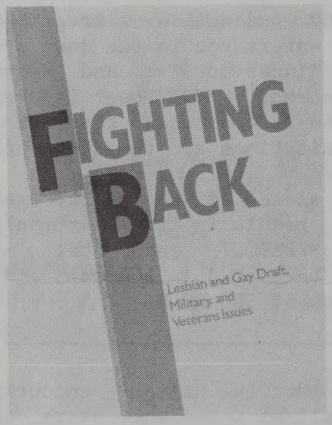

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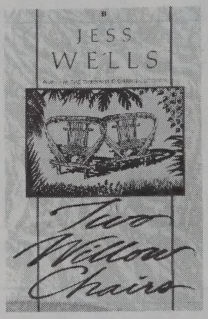

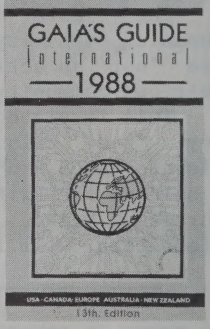

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Includes an evening with two speakers

Dinner will be catered by The Picnic Basket

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GREEN MOUNTAIN FALLS LODGE OPEN FOR LESBIAN/GAY CLIENTELE

The Columbine Lodge in Green Mountain Falls is now under new co-management. Owners Marty Hudson and Barbara Novicke recently purchased the 26 unit historic facility (21 in the main building and a smaller 5 unit building).

The main lodge has a general social room with a large fireplace, a dining room in a rustic setting, and an outdoor hot tub. Across the street are tennis courts and a public swimming pool, with nearby fishing, hiking and other year-round recreational pleasures.

The Columbine Lodge is open year-round and Marty and Barbara welcome all of us, though they do ask that reservations be made in advance, assuring you the most comfortable and enjoyable stay.

For information and reservations call 684-9062.

(INFORMATION ORIGINALLY PRINTED IN "SPEAKOUT")

JEWISH LESBIAN DAUGHTERS OF HOLOCAUST SURVIVORS HOLD SPRING 1988 GATHERING

Jewish Lesbian Daughters of Holocaust Survivors (JLDHS) will meet April 22-24 in New Hampshire for a weekend of discussion, support, and networking around issues faced by children of survivors. This will be the sixth semi-annual gathering of JLDHS since the group began with six members in the fall of 1985. Today there are more than 75 members from across the United States and Canada, the list is growing.

JLDHS is for Lesbians whose parent or parents survived the Holocaust. This includes parents who were in nazi Europe or North Africa in 1933 or later and who survived the death camps or in hiding, by passing as non-Jews, or by managing to leave for safer territories. Jewish and non-Jewish lesbian partners of daughters are welcomed, and may attend workshops specifically for partners. For further information, write PO Box 6194, Boston, MA, or call (617) 321-4254

SECOND ANNUAL WELLNESS FEST FOR THE LESBIAN AND GAY COMMUNITY

The Second Annual Wellness Fest for the Lesbian and Gay community will be held Saturday, April 16, 1988 at the Heart of Denver Quality Inn--1160 E. Colfax Ave., from noon to 5p.m.

Individuals and organizations with an interest in the community and its wellness have been invited to participate. There will be exhibits by many organizations promoting the well-being of the community. Some of the activities will be fun; some will be informative; some will clearly promote wellness and some will just celebrate our community.

The WELLNESS FEST is being presented in partnership with such organizations as Parents and Friends of Lesbians and Gays, the Gay and Lesbian Community Center of Denver, Jackson Place Counseling Center and the Denver Metropolitan Community Church.

For more information call 1-733-1649 or contact GAYSPEAK through the Helpline for an application.

DUBUQUE TO SEE LESBIAN/GAY PRIDE MARCH INSPITE OF 1987 HARASSMENT

DUBUQUE,IA--Lesbians, gay men, and supporters will return to the streets of Dubuque Iowa on Saturday, April 30 for the second annual lesbian/gay pride march, following last year's event at which marchers were harassed and pelted with obscenities, epithets and eggs. Dubuque police officers took no action to intervene while anti-gay counter-demonstrators nearly turned the peaceful pride march into a riot.

Prior to the '87 march, organizers asked Mayor James Brady to declare a gay/lesbian pride week. Brady refused, saying that gay rights are a private issue. He also said the only gay people he had ever known were child molesters and that he wouldn't want "to live next door to one."

APRIL EVENTS

FRI. April 1: GOOD FRIDAY; PPMCC, Tenebrae Svc., 7:30p.m.
SAT. April 2: PASSOVER
SUN. April 3: EASTER SUNDAY; SUNRISE SERVICE 6:30a.m. Garden of the Gods PPMCC and Christ Chapel; 5p.m. PPMCC Worship Service.
MON. April 4: Gay AA, 8p.m.; Seek & Peek, 7p.m.
TUES. April 5: STEP ONE (See center news)7:00p.m.; PPMCC Bible Study 7p.m.
WED. April 6: 40+ Women 7:00p.m.
THUR. April 7: Sisters of Sappho (S.O.S.) 7:30p.m.
FRI. April 8: Gay AA,8p.m.; TIKVAT SHALOM SEDER services (see article)
SAT. April 9:
SUN. April 10: Christ Chapel,10:30a.m.;PPMCC Choir Practice, 4:30p.m.; PPMCC 5:00p.m.; Colorado Gay Rodeo Association, Colorado Springs Chapter (CGRA) General Membership Meeting 8p.m. at It's Country (see Center Notes); Imperial Court of Southern Colorado (ICSC) meeting, 2p.m. at Hide & Seek; Heather Bishop at Divine Maddness in Denver(call Book Garden or Divine Maddness for Ticket information)
MON. April 11: Christopher St. 7p.m.; Gay AA 8p.m.
TUES. April 12: PPMCC Board of Directors Meeting 6:30p.m.
WED. April 13: 40+ Women,7p.m.
THURS. April 14: SOS, 7:30 p.m.
FRI. April 15: ARE YOUR TAXES FILED?; Gay AA, 8p.m. ;STEP ONE ACTIVITY
SAT. April 16: Christopher St. & 40+ Women B.B.Q.,call Helpline for more info.
SUN. April 17:Christ Chapel, 10:30a.m.; PPMCC 5p.m.
MON. April 18:Gay AA, 8p.m.; Gay Pride Week Planning Meeting, 7p.m.
TUES. April 19: PPGCC Board of Directors MEETING, 7 to 8:30 p.m.; PPMCC Bible Study, 7p.m.
WED. April 20: 40+ Women,7p.m.
THURS. April 21: SOS,7:30p.m.
FRI. April 22: Gay AA 8p.m.
SAT. April 23: CAR POOL TO VIEW THE QUILT 10-2 (SEE ARTICLE); CGRA Board Meeting 6:30p.m., It's Country.
SUN. April 24: Christ Chapel 10:30a.m.; PPMCC 5p.m,.;CGRA Fund Raiser at Charlies in Denver(see article)
MON. April 25: Christopher St. 7p.m.;Gay AA 8p.m.
TUES. April 26: PPMCC Bible Study 7p.m.
WED. April 27: 40+ Women 7p.m.
THURS. April 28: SOS 7:30p.m.;Fine Arts Center Film Fest (see article)
FRI. April 29:Gay AA 8p.m.; Fine Arts Center Film Fest (see article); EXCEL WEEKEND THROUGH MAY 1.(SEE ARTICLE)
SAT. April 30:
SUN. May 1: HAPPY MAY DAY!;LOVING YOU/LOVING ME 3RD ANNUAL CONF. (SEE APPLICATION; Christ Chapel 10:30a.m.; PPMCC 5p.m.
MON. May 2: Gay Pride Week Planning Meeting, 7p.m.; Gay AA
TUES. May 3: STEP ONE Meeting, 7p.m.
WED. May 4: 40+ Women 7p.m.
THURS. May 5:CINCO de MAYO CELEBRATION AT THE EXIT (see article); SOS 7:30p.m.;
FRI. May 6: Gay AA 8p.m.
SAT. May 7
SUN. May 8: PARENTS DAY (see article on Couples, Inc.)

Pikes Peak Gay Community Center Membership Application

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LESBIAN/GAY TRIVIA
What was the first state to pass a statewide gay rights bill?

Who was the first openly gay candidate elected to public office in the U.S.?

Trivia answered:

In 1961 Wisconsin passed first statewide gay rights bill.

Kathy Kozachenko was the first elected openly gay candidate. She was elected to the Ann Arbor, Michigan, city council in April 1974. This first is often mistakenly credited to Elaine Noble, who was elected to the Massachusetts state legislature in November 1974.

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